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## AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL USAGE DATA AVAILABLE ONLINE

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) published the 2010 Agricultural Chemical Use survey data for vegetables July 27, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. EDT. The data includes statistics for on-farm use of commercial fertilizers, agricultural chemicals and integrated pest management practices from producers of targeted vegetable crops. These agricultural chemical use estimates focus on the acreage treated with herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and other pesticides.

Information is provided from a survey funded by the USDA Pesticide Data Program. The purpose of the Pesticide Data Program is to provide reliable pesticide use statistics and to enhance the quality of information on pesticide residues in food. This data series addresses the increased public interest in agricultural chemical use and provides the means for government agencies to respond effectively to food safety and water quality issues. The data includes chemical use information for 23 targeted vegetable crops in 19 States. The New York Field Office of NASS interviewed 284 growers about information for six vegetable crops – snap beans, cabbage, sweet corn, cucumbers, onions, and squash.

In New York, herbicides were applied to 92 percent of the fresh sweet corn acreage and insecticides to 79 percent of the acreage. Fungicides were applied to 7 percent of the fresh sweet corn acreage.

Herbicides were applied to 94 percent of the fresh snap bean acreage, insecticides to 91 percent of the acreage and fungicides to 91 percent of the acreage. Herbicides were applied to 97 percent of the processing snap bean acreage, insecticides to 88 percent, and fungicides to 89 percent of the acreage.

Herbicides were applied to 86 percent of the onion acreage, insecticides to 99 percent, and fungicides to 96 percent of the acreage.

Additional details for all targeted vegetable crops in all states are available through Quick Stats at the following website: [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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